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In re Application of: Francischelli  
 For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TISSUE ABLATION  
 Serial No.: 10/756,437  
 Filed: 01-13-2004



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- ☐ Applicant hereby petitions for a \_\_\_\_\_ months' extension of time. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this petition therefor.
- ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, if an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension of time.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees or credits to Deposit Account No. 13-2546 which may have been overlooked on this Amendment Transmittal with regard to this filing. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.

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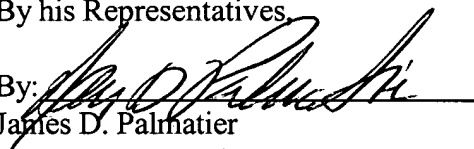
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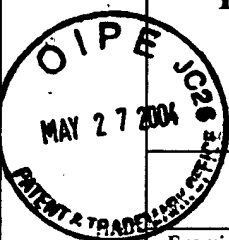
In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the materials enclosed herewith are brought to the attention of the Examiner as possibly being of interest in connection with the above-identified patent application.

Consideration of each of the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. §609, Applicant further requests that a copy of the Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next Official Communication.

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